(d) whether it is a fact, that workers union have also alleged the purchase of second-hand Harris NC400 Heat Set Press with 12 units at an estimated cost of Rs. 4.00 crores through S. L. Kulkarni and Company which is reported to be four times the normal purchase price of this second-hand machinery;

(e) if so, whether Government have taken steps to investigate the matter through a Central Investigating Agency like CBI; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor.....

THE MININSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir, As per rerpesentation dated 2-11-1992; addressed to the Prime Minister, Indian Express Employees Union (Regd.), New Delhi have, *inter-alia*, alleged infighting among the Goenka family members in the matter of control of the Indian Express Group of newspapers, besides appointment removal of employees and/or Editor. As regards infighting among the Goenka family members, as per press reports, suits have been filled by Mrs. Saroj Goenka; daughter-in-law of late Shri Ramnath Goenka before the Madras High Court seeking declaration that the adoption of Shri Vivek Goenka as the son of late Shri Ramnath Goenka was illegal and void and the subject-matter of the allegations made in the representation are *sub-judice* before the court. In regard to other allegation regarding appointment/removal of employees, it may be stated that these are matters of internal administration of the company and no action is possible under the Companies Act, 1956.

(d)) to (f) Yes, Sir. As per available information, M|s Indian Express Newspapers (Bombay) Ltd., were granted an import licence, dated 25-10 1991 for the import of one No. Web-fed high speed offset rotatory printing machine — Model No. NCH 400, maximum Web width 336", Cut-off-21", make-1985 or a CIF value of US dollor 4,187,387/- equivalent to Indian Rs. 10,87,40415/- (Rs. ten crores eighty seven lakhs four thousand and fifteen only), from USA. The allegation made by the Union is being referred to Ministry of Finance, Department of Revenue for appropriate action. Further, as per press repots, the Union's President has made a similar allegation in the application made before the Madras High Court seeking to implead in the suit, to protect the interests of the employees of the Indian Express Group.

उच्चतम न्यायालय में लंबित मामले

3037. **मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ मोम अफजल :**

क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 31 जनवरी, 1993 की स्थिति के अनुसार, उच्चतम न्यायालय में कितने मामले लंबित हैं ;

(ख) सिविल और आपराधिक मामलों की अलग-अलग संख्या कितनी है ; और

(ग) इन मामलों के शीघ्र निपटान हेतु सरकार द्वारा क्या उपाय किये जाने पर विचार किया जा रहा है ?

विधि, न्याय और कंपनी कार्य मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) : (क) से (ग) जानकारी एकत्र की जा रही है और सदन के पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Proposal to reserve Assembly seat for ST

30338. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the Government of Arunachal Pradesh to